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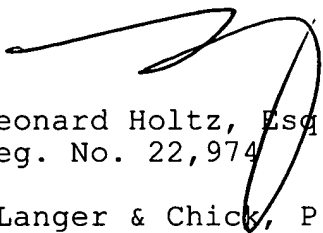
USP 4,729,646 (Clark et al) and USP 4,565,427 (Shilling et al) are discussed in the introductory portion of the present specification.

USP 5,270,855 is assigned to the same Assignee as the present application, and is directed to a microscope having a focus-adjusting mechanism.

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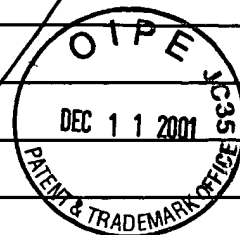
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